

# **SIEC-OPERATIONAL SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES**

**Thursday, Nov 29th, 2018**

**Department of Transportation, Brick Store Landing Rd.**

## **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Gene Donaldson, DELDOT  
Robbie Hunt, DIVCOM  
Eric Wagner, DIVCOM  
Tom Kadunce, DIVCOM  
Kevin Sipple, Kent County  
Joseph Mulford, DSP  
Mike Merson, DOC  
Scott Collins, Police Chiefs Council

## **GUESTS**

Todd Tarply, Kodiak/MSI  
Amanda Lake, DIVCOM  
Mike Newburn, ATT  
Lori Stone, ATT  
Michael Varney, FirstNet  
Jeff King, FirstNet  
Rob Walls, FirstNet

## **Introductions**

Gene Donaldson, DELDOT opened the meeting at 1:33 P.M. with introductions.

## **Approval of Meeting minutes from Previous Meeting**

Motion by Joe Mulford, second by Tom Kadunce to accept the minutes as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

## **Project Updates**

- 700MHz / 800MHz Systems – Tom Kadunce P25 update – Tom Kadunce
- Fiber & Data Project Updates – Gene Donaldson
- 800MHz Technology Refresh – Tom Kadunce
- Broadband Update – Robbie Hunt

700/800 MHz Update – Tom Kadunce briefed on the 700MHz systems are operating normally, the Division of Communications is currently working on annual preventative maintenance inspections.

For the 800MHz system, no major issues to report. Site HVAC upgrade work is complete, acceptance inspections are in work at this time. The Microwave backbone upgrade is complete, we are working on console installation across the State at this time.

P25 Update - Tom Kadunce briefed on the P25 radio update, we are still working on correcting DVFA radio counts to prep for the 2024 deadline. Most Fire Companies have responded and

Warren Jones is actively working on contacting the remaining companies. Please let all agencies know that an active radio must be removed from the 800MHz system in order to take the Motorola discount.

Eric Wagner briefed on TDMA upgrades to 800MHz radios for interoperability with adjacent State. Moving forward some Maryland Counties and possibly others will be upgrading to TDMA and may cause interoperability issue in the future. Motorola is currently discounting the TDMA upgrades and it is strongly recommended that all radios be ordered with this option.

Fiber & Data Update – Fiber installation is on-going, DelDOT is working with adjacent States to complete a full data highway. DelDOT is already connected to Maryland and is currently working with New Jersey and Pennsylvania to complete connectivity from the NYC to Washington D.C.

800 MHz Tech Refresh update – Tom Kadunce briefed that Microwave installation is complete. Console installation is in work State wide with the three primary PSAPs being worked now. New Shelters are in place with civil work in progress.

Broadband Update – Robbie Hunt briefed that DivComm is currently working with Sussex County on the Governors “Broadband Dessert” initiative.

**Old Business** - None

**New Business** – Robbie Hunt briefed that the Statewide Communications Interoperability Plan (SCIP) update is in work and he would be reaching out to various agencies.

Rob Walls introduced the FirstNet team and Todd Tarply gave an overview of enhanced push to talk functionality offered by Kodiak through FirstNet.

**Community Reports** - None

**Next Meeting**

Jan 31, 2019 @ 1:30 P.M. at DelDOT/TMC, Rehoboth Conference Room

**Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned @ 2:33 P.M.

**Remaining 2019 Dates**

28 Mar, 30 May, 25 Jul, 26 Sep, 28 Nov.